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## 374th MXS Airman dies in motorcycle accident

YOKOTA AIR BASE, Japan – An Airman assigned to Yokota's 374th Maintenance Squadron died Thursday of injuries as a result of a motorcycle accident here Feb. 5.

Senior Airman Michael Spradlin, 28, 374th Maintenance Squadron C-130 crew chief, was pronounced dead at approximately 8:25 a.m. after being transported to the Yokota medical facility. Spradlin had been stationed at Yokota since May 2019.

"My heart goes out to Michael's family, friends and teammates. A loss of life is never easy to experience and the grieving process takes time. He will be missed," said Lt. Col. Kristina Lamothe, 374th Maintenance Squadron commander.

The accident is currently under investigation.